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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

For the first time in well over twenty years, my internet and telephone services have enabled me to have a choice about the speed, content and pricing of services. Finally, I've been able to select the providers that are suitable for my needs. Additionally, I no longer dread having to call customer service only to find a complete lack of service due to the fact (among others) that there is no competition for my provider.

As a senior citizen with limited income but added time to communicate, the presence of competition has provided me with the ability to keep in touch with family and friends through the use of telephone and internet at prices I can afford. Previously, I often waited to hear from others rather than initiate expensive long distance telephone calls or certain types of internet communication.

Please keep the competition alive so that people like myself can continue to have alternatives for their services.

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